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Deputies' Meeting

Tuesday, 8 July 1952

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Becker, Hedden, Col. White

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General Smith:

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a. Noted the item in today's Log concerning [redacted] in escape and evasion activities in Korea and stated there was no objection to our working with them, provided they could furnish us with one or two good men. Mr. Wisner noted this activity was under the supervision of [redacted] and participated in by personnel of our [redacted]

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[redacted]

Mr. Dulles:

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a. Raised the matter of intelligence support for Gen. Draper and stated that in his opinion such support should come from the Embassy [redacted]. Mr. Becker noted that the DCI had already discussed such action and received approval of a proposed letter to [redacted] and also a reply to [redacted] cable on this matter. In this connection, the Director stated that it was not incumbent upon CIA to furnish support for Gen. Draper or other individuals involved in similar activities unless we were so directed by the National Security Council. In regard to the point raised by Mr. Becker concerning NIE's produced on certain areas and which are from time to time sent to the several Ambassadors for their comment, the DCI directed that one copy only of such NIE's be forwarded through our Senior Representatives.

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b. Stated he had received a letter from Assistant Attorney General McInerney requesting that this Agency make available as witnesses two other officers [redacted] [redacted] who were knowledgeable of the [redacted]. Mr. Wisner noted that as previously discussed with the DCI he had been interviewed by two FBI agents of the Washington Field Office on an off-the-record basis and had drawn up a proposed memorandum in connection therewith which he would clear with the Director. Mr. Wisner also noted that (1) tentative arrangements had been discussed with the above-mentioned agents concerning the possibility of [redacted] appearing as witnesses in the [redacted] matter provided assurance could be given by the Department of Justice that these officers would be fully protected; (2) a brief discussion was also held with the aforementioned agents regarding this Agency making available copies of memoranda for the record regarding conversations with [redacted]. The Director stated that (1) in view of the manner in which the Department

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Mr. Dulles (Cont'd.)

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of Justice had handled the Lattimore situation, Attorney General McGranery and/or Assistant Attorney General McInerney would be informed [redacted] and we would not further expose our people unless so ordered by the President; (2) in response to a query from Mr. Dulles as to whether [redacted] should remain abroad, the Director said there was no objection to his returning as scheduled; however, he should be prepared to "flit at a moment's notice;" (3) there was nothing further we could do in regard to [redacted] since he was no longer employed by CIA; (4) in the future, any contact between officers of this Agency and representatives of the FBI on matters similar to that of the [redacted] case would be through the FBI Liaison Officer, [redacted] and/or his successor; (5) he desired to see [redacted] in this regard today. (NOTE: [redacted] will see the Director at 3 p.m. this afternoon.) After some further discussion, Mr. Dulles undertook to prepare and submit to the DCI for approval a reply to Assistant Attorney General McInerney's letter.

[redacted]

d. Stated that he had again discussed the Lattimore case with Assistant Attorney General McInerney who indicated that the Department of Justice had "slipped up" in its handling of this affair.

e. Noted that [redacted] had been employed as a consultant and was working with [redacted]

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Mr. Wisner:

[redacted]

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Colonel White:

a. Noted that the Bureau of the Budget had received a letter from Defense requesting that (1) CIA reimburse the Department of Defense for all Military personnel assigned to this Agency; (2) such personnel not be charged against

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Col. White (Cont'd.)

Defense's personnel ceilings. The Director asked Col. White to advise Budget
that (1) he would not go along with reimbursing Defense for its people since
such action amounted to nothing more than taking money out of one pocket and
putting it in another; 25X1

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Mr. Hedden:

a. Raised the question of furnishing intelligence and other information
to the Senior Representatives. After some discussion, the DCI approved the
recommendation that the several Deputy Directors submit to the Executive
Assistant to the DCI any information which, in their opinion, should be trans-
mitted to the Senior Representatives. It would then become the responsibility
of the Executive Assistant to draft an appropriate letter to the Senior Representa-
tives. The Director noted he desired to see the first letter sent.

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